IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Lang et al.

Application No.: 10/681,749 Group No.: 3733 Filed: October 7, 2003 Examiner: Philogene, P.

For: Minimally Invasive Joint Implant with 3-Dimensional Geometry Matching the Articular Surfaces

Attn: Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is a response for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is a small entity.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for three months:

Fee: \$510.00

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	CLAIMS										
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	AMENDMENT	PAID FOR		EXTRA		RATE			FEE		
TOTAL	148	_	122	=	26	X	\$	25.00	=	\$	650.00
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Total additional fee for claims required \$1,050.00

FEE PAYMENT

5. Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$1,560.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-4972.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

FEE DEFICIENCY

6. If an additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 19-4972.

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RESPONSE C

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully submit this response and requests that the following amendments and remarks, in response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2007, be considered.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.